

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Clerk-Recorder	(2) MEETING DATE 12/11/2012	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Julie Rodewald 781-5080	
(4) SUBJECT Request to declare the results of the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election as presented on the Summary Report of Final Official Election Results and the Statement of Votes Cast (Clerk's Filed).			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that your Board declare the results of the votes cast during the Presidential General Election held on November 6, 2012.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) General Fund and reimbursement from other agencies	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$877,000 (estimated)	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT { x } Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est. _____) { } Board Business (Time Est. _____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Resolutions { } Contracts { } Ordinances { x } N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) n/a		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: n/a { } 4/5th's Vote Required { x } N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY { x } N/A Date _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Emily Jackson			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Clerk-Recorder / Julie Rodewald
781-5080

DATE: 12/11/2012

SUBJECT: Request to declare the results of the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election as presented on the Summary Report of Final Official Election Results and the Statement of Votes Cast (Clerk's Filed).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that your Board declare the results of the votes cast during the Presidential General Election held on November 6, 2012.

DISCUSSION

The Presidential General Election was held on November 6, 2012 for the election of Federal, State, County, School and Special District and City offices, Statewide propositions and local measures. All vote-by-mail and provisional ballots have been counted and the official canvass has been completed. The County Clerk has certified the election and signed the Certificate of County Clerk and is submitting this to your Board along with the Summary Report of Final Official Election Results and the Statement of Votes Cast (Clerk's filed). Pursuant to Elections Code §15400, the governing body shall declare elected to each office, the person having the highest number of votes for that office. The governing board shall also declare the results for each measure voted upon under its jurisdiction at the election.

The turnout for this election was 79.96%, short of the 83% in the 2008 Presidential election, although San Luis Obispo voters again turned out in a greater percentage than those statewide, which currently stands at 69%. In keeping with the trend for ever-increasing participation with vote-by-mail ballots, a record number of vote-by-mail ballots were issued (96,000) and returned voted (80,240). This number represents 63% of those who voted in this election, the highest percentage for any regularly scheduled election.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The successful conduct of elections is a community effort and could not be accomplished without the support of other county departments, the facilities that served as polling places, the U.S. Postal Service and the hard work of over 800 people who staff the polls on Election Day.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

\$877,000 was budgeted for the general election. \$512,000 was budgeted for services and supplies and \$365,000 for salaries. While the final costs will not be known for several weeks, it is estimated that the cost for services and supplies will be \$430,000. Final salary costs will not be available for several weeks, however, because of the large number of vote by mail ballots, the temporary help and overtime costs are expected to exceed what was budgeted.

All jurisdictions that consolidated their elections with the Presidential General election will be billed for their share of the election costs based on their number of registered voters plus the specific printing costs allocated to the jurisdiction. The revenue recovered from these jurisdictions will not be known until mid January.

RESULTS

To have the Board of Supervisors declare the results of the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election as prescribed by law.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Certificate of County Clerk
2. Summary Report of Final Official Election Results
3. Statement of Votes Cast (Clerk's Filed)